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MARKED GAIN IN ASSESSED VALUES

County Shows an Increase of \$2,000,000 For 1907—Various Kinds of Property in Which Taxes Are Raised.

The assessment roll for 1907, as completed by County Assessor L. A. Spitzer, shows an increase of more than \$2,000,000 in realty values over that of 1906, and if the item of \$1,800,000 for 1906 in the item

of money which was part of the estate of Mrs. Stanford be excluded, the gain in property totals comes close to \$3,000,000. The following summary distributes the totals into county and city property, improvements and personality:

	1907.	1906.
Out-of-town realty	\$22,485,775	\$21,726,465
Improvements on same	7,587,140	7,386,625
City and town lots	13,436,595	13,060,810
Improvements	9,176,575	8,354,995
Improvements by non-owners	44,550	
Total realty and improvements.....	\$52,730,635	\$50,528,895
Personal property	5,144,285	4,655,880
Money	433,625	2,294,590
Total value of all property	\$58,308,545	\$57,479,590

Mr. Spitzer's report shows that besides the great increase in the value of landed property, amounting to more than \$2,000,000, the improvements on city and town lots show a gain of more than \$800,000, while the personal property list also is increased \$500,000.

A decrease is noted in the value of property affected by mortgage, this item having fallen from \$7,551,225 in 1906 to \$7,051,890 in this year's schedule. The following are the valuations of railroad improvements and personal property, including rights of way, tracks, etc., as reported for the state board of equalization: Southern Pacific Railroad Company, \$196,200; South Pacific Coast Railroad, \$106,370; Central Pacific, \$2,650.

Corporation Values.

The assessments on the street railways of the county show in one case, at least—that of San Jose Railway Company—the great value put upon the franchise by its holders when negotiating a sale and the relatively small one when the assessor takes his figures, the company in question putting a valuation of \$12,600 on the franchise, and it is understood, has refused a sum exceeding \$500,000 for the property. The items in its assessment are: Land, \$3,300; improvements, \$2,500; personal property, \$18,700; franchise, \$12,600, and a valuation on tracks 10.85 miles long of \$64,250, a total for the entire property of the company of \$101,350.

The San Jose and Santa Clara Street Railway is assessed on 15.88 miles of tracks \$97,115, while its franchise is held at \$10,965. Other items are: Land, \$20,730; improvements, \$11,150; personal property, \$27,450, a total of \$167,460.

The San Jose and Los Gatos Interurban Company, for the seven-tenths of a mile in the city, is assessed at the rate of \$20,000, whereas the other companies above mentioned pay at the rate of \$10,000. The Interurban franchise also covers 25.71 miles of tracks outside the city, and the entire trackage is listed at \$142,750. It possesses land valued at \$2,925; improvements, \$3,700; personal property, \$16,600, and a franchise valued at \$27,130, a total of \$193,105.

The Standard Electric Company of California has no franchise value, according to the roll, but it pays on 52.15 miles the sum of \$24,075. Its land is worth \$590, buildings \$2,550 and personal property \$21,000, a total of \$48,215.

The Western Union Telegraph Company is assessed at \$13,600 for its 81.71 miles of lines. No figures are given on the Postal Company.

The total valuation of the Sunset Telephone & Telegraph Company is \$118,255, and is distributed as lines, boxes, etc., \$92,000, land \$12,695, improvements \$6,300, personality \$1,260, franchise \$5,000.

Some Things Assessed.

Items in the list of various properties show many interesting features regarding property ownership in this county. State, county and municipal bonds are listed at \$50,000, while the amount of jewelry is

estimated worth \$86,800. The value of the watches carried in the county is given at \$40,920. Casks and tanks make up \$22,000, while the brandy and liquor with an average value of \$1.50 a gallon is put in at \$11,880.

Wine in the amount of 281,000 gallons is assessed at only 15 cents a gallon, or \$42,150. There are 370 hives of bees with a value of \$1 each, while 1,300 pounds of butter and 5,100 pounds of cheese are reported from the family larders. There were 250 thoroughbred and 6,300 domestic cows with a value of \$202,750, and 10,990 beef and stock cattle, valued at \$190,400, in the ranges. Calves are listed as 4,980, valued at \$39,840, an average of \$8 each. Hogs numbering 4,980 are valued at \$19,280. Mules, jacks and jennies, 266 in all, have a value of \$11,260.

Eighty thoroughbred horses, worth \$16,000, 235 standard bred at \$32,900, 7,610 American at \$380,500 and 4,800 common horses at \$96,000, together with colts, 2,200, at \$33,000, sheep 505 at \$1,515, lambs numbering 260 at \$108, together with \$800 worth of goats, both common and Angora, end the livestock.

Poultry is a considerable industry, as shown by the 21,000 fowls, worth \$63,000, reported. There are six traction engines worth \$2,100 in the county. Hay is listed at 975 tons with a value of \$10 a ton, while the 2,100 cords of wood at \$7 swell the list \$14,700. Six million feet of lumber are reported as worth \$102,000, while machinery is lumped at \$217,000, and oil tanks, pumps and derricks listed at \$22,020.

The 1,405 typewriters average \$30 each or \$42,150, while the bicycles valued at \$15 each total \$85,050 for the 5,760 of them. Thirteen hundred guns, pistols and firearms generally are owned with \$13,000 assessed against them. Other items, such as furniture, pianos and sewing machines, harness, goods and merchandise, are not listed by the piece, but show high values, the merchandise item being \$1,828,150, while the whole of the listed property is valued at \$5,144,285.

Of interest to the agriculturist are the items concerning trees bearing and nonbearing, which are listed as 5,758,742 and 558,985 respectively. This is only a small gain over last year. The grapevines in bearing number 3,090 and nonbearing 4,240. The following crop acreages are reported: Wheat 6,725, oats 125, barley 7,120, corn 315, hay 25,720, potatoes 540, celery 70, beans 215, sugar beets 120 and alfalfa 100 acres.

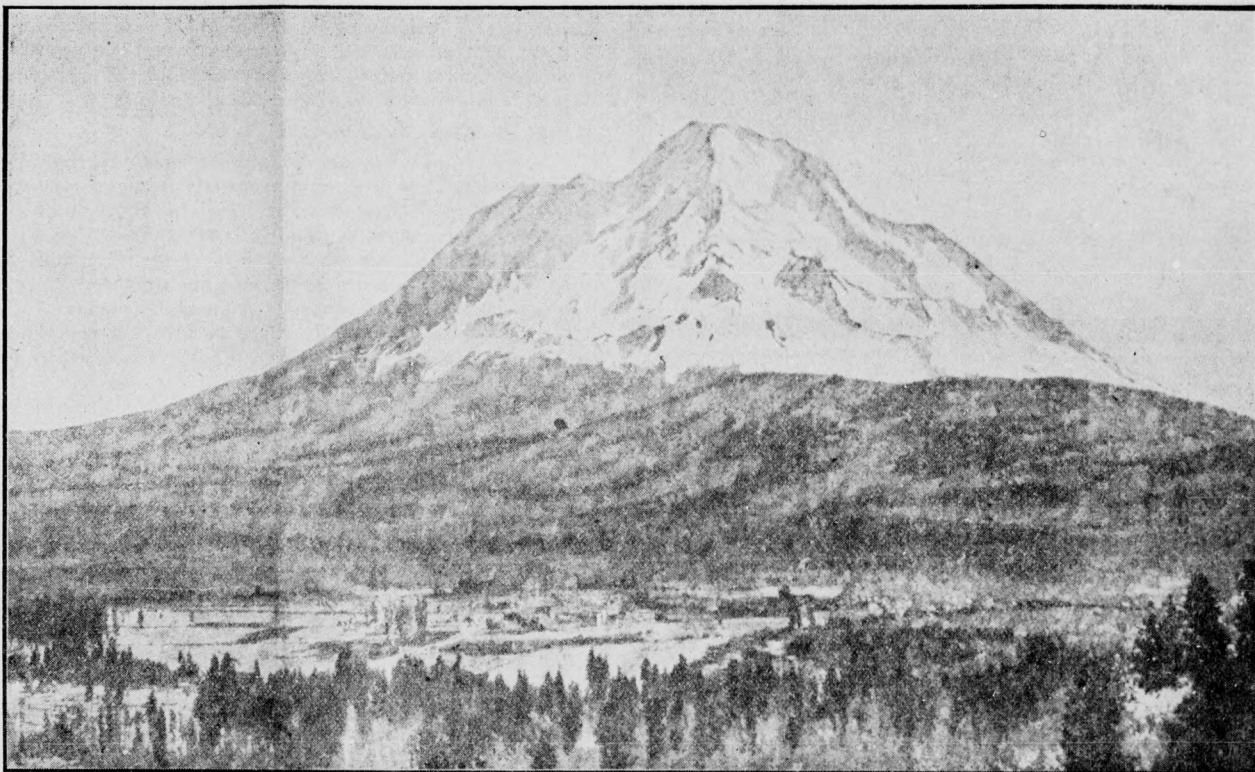
Wild Flower Garden.

If flowerlovers who are searching for beautiful effects will visit Professor Frank Cramer's home and look at his garden they will not want to spend big sums in buying costly exotics which are troublesome to raise, but will emulate Mr. Cramer's planting of our beautiful wild flowers. In his garden there is a huge bed of golden rod which is gorgeous in its rich bloom, and brightens the entire garden.—Daily Palo Alto Times.

SOLOON SINGS OF STATELY SHASTA

Beautiful Scenery of California Inspires Pen of American Farmer Editor.

Mount Shasta, California, is 14,444 feet above sea level. I saw it on a May morning. The sun reflected a halo of glory upon it. A light gray cloud in the shape of a wreath rested peacefully upon the mountain's brow. The lofty snow-clad peak pierced the wreathlike cloud and stood above it, while the white breast of the mountain shone below, chase and beautiful. Human vision never beheld a more enchanting scene.—Solon L. Goode



O Shasta, Snow-crowned Mount!
Who builded with a mighty hand
thy lofty dome?
Who laid thy base so deep in adamant
mantine stone?
Thou mute and silent monster! open
thy lips and speak,
And let thy trumpet tones resound
from yonder shrouded peak.

O Shasta, Favored One!
Thou dwellest near the stars midst
music of the spheres;
Thou trystest with the moon thro'
nights of cycling years;
The sun doth send its beams to kiss
thy white cheeks
As light from yonder jeweled throne
falls on thy glacial peaks.

O Shasta, Silent Dome!
Disclose to mortal man the mystery
of thy birth.
Pray, tell us how thou cam'st to
rest on this old earth.
From Chaos didst thou emanate—
from Erebus of night;
And didst thou hear the Eternal
say: "Let there be light?"

O Shasta, Mighty One!
Did nature in convulsive throes give
birth to thee,
And lift thee from the womb of
some unfathomed sea?
Or did some burnt-out orb amidst
the starry sky
Fling thee forth a wanderer from
battlements on high?

O Shasta, Blessed Mount!
Thou'rt like to some on earth—
some consecrated souls,
Who're undismayed midst lightning
flash and thunder rolls!
Whose footstool is the tempest
cloud that rides on high,
Whose heads are lifted up to catch
God's whisper in the sky.

GREAT GROWTH OF THE COUNTY IS ASSURED

Ten Million Dollars in Building Operations Will Be Expended in Immediate Future.

Secretary Joseph T. Brooks of the San Jose chamber of commerce holds very pronounced optimistic views regarding the future of Santa Clara county, says the Mercury. In considering the present activities in the building line throughout the county, Mr. Brooks refers to the amount of money that will be spent in this county during the next two years. Already \$9,225,000 worth of improvements are in sight. Among the largest will be the construction of a new college and university under the direction of the Jesuit Fathers at Mountain View, which when completed will cost in the neighborhood of \$2,225,000. This institution will be erected by private subscriptions and donations made to the Fathers by their many friends all over the world. Several rich men, former students at Santa Clara, have liberally subscribed.

Grading on the site has already been commenced and will cost in the neighborhood of \$20,000. Work on the buildings will commence immediately on the completion of the grading.

The state asylum at Agnews will cost \$800,000, and the appropriation made by the last legislature is now available. Actual work will begin in about two weeks.

The new high and grammar schools of San Jose and other new schools in the county will exceed the \$500,000 limit. Work is now progressing rapidly on these new buildings, which will be ready for occupancy by February 1, 1908.

The state normal school will cost \$250,000. Plans are now being drawn and work is expected to be commenced by January 1, 1908.

The repairs to the city hall of San Jose and the new fire house of the city will cost \$150,000. The money

is available, having been voted by the people at a recent bond election.

Other improvements at the towns of Leland, Elveda, Sunnyvale, Mountain View, Palo Alto, Gilroy and Mayfield, together with the network of electric lines contemplated throughout the county will bring up the grand total of expenditures throughout the entire county to the sum of \$9,225,000.

People Are Confident.

Mr. Brooks says: "Considering the vast amount of building now under construction or contemplation, I believe the people of San Jose and Santa Clara county should feel highly elated over the prospects for the future of this section of California. We have contracts already let and those which will be let by January 1, 1908, sufficient to furnish employment to skilled labor for a long time to come.

"There never was a time in the history of the county when the future looked as bright. Beginning with September 1, building operations should begin to show a marked activity, and there is a confidence established in the stability of future developments.

"The citizens believe thoroughly in the growth of the future, and the merchants are relying that many of the firms will be obliged to double and even treble their present capacity.

"I look for a continual increase in small farm holdings, which will of necessity cause an increase in population in the rural districts, all of which are tributary to San Jose or the small towns immediately adjacent thereto.

"The fruit crops of this season, while light, are only a temporary influence, which will be completely dispelled by next April.

"Many people, within the next few years will look back at the present regretting that they did not invest to their limit in 1907, for valuations will increase each year. All proper-

ties can be secured now at bottom prices, and now is the time for investment.

Farms to Be Subdivided.

"The large farms will gradually be subdivided into ten and twenty-acre tracts until the entire valley will be dotted with thousands of homes.

"We are already assured of an up-to-date electric system from Palo Alto to San Jose, which will also be extended throughout the valley, and it is only a question of a few years until an electric road will extend from San Jose to Gilroy, and from this city to the Big Basin by the way of Los Gatos and Saratoga."

"The road running to Gilroy will tap one of the richest sections of the valley, and will be the means of opening up valuable territory.

"I believe that the Santa Clara valley, with its wonderful attractions, will in a few years have a network of electric lines that will make them easy of access and be visited yearly by thousands of visitors.

New Towns to Be Built.

"The new towns which are being built in the north end of the county will bring in millions of dollars for investment in this country, as well as thousands of settlers. These places will be built on the most modern lines and plans and will be in a measure the 'spotless cities' of the Pacific coast.

Battleship Fleet Will Help.

"It is now an assured fact that a large battleship fleet will arrive shortly on the Pacific coast. The number of men on these ships will be of a number equal to a city like San Jose. Their advent here will call for great activity in the provision and furnishing line, as well as skilled work at navy yards. This will mean large amounts of money that will be spent on this coast, and Santa Clara county will come in for a large share of the business.

Confidence in State Restored.

"Confidence in California has already been restored, especially in San Francisco. The banks are now ready to open their vaults to all legitimate enterprises, while eastern capital is investing in California securities in a manner that is simply amazing. As has already been reported, the California promotion committee, through its New York bureau, is issuing daily bulletins regarding the actual conditions all over the state. These reports reach 500 offices over the broad-tape ticker and are closely watched by the financiers in the east.

"Again I say, watch Santa Clara county grow, as I predict a phenomenal development within the next couple of years."

Foreign Trade Statistics.

Boom days, these. In a bulletin issued by the bureau of statistics, it is shown that for the first time in history the foreign trade of the United States during the fiscal year passed the three billion mark. The exact amount for the year, which ended June 30th, was \$3,315,252,116. Imports comprised \$1,434,401,902 of the total, while the exports were valued at \$1,880,851,024, leaving a balance of trade in favor of the United States for the twelve months of \$446,449,932. Another record was established during the year when for the first time in the country's history neither imports nor exports fell below \$100,000,000 for any month.

Cannery for Hollister.

Hollister, July 27.—P. Biscaglia, of the Gilroy Canning Company, was in Hollister this week on business connected with the proposed cannery which is to be built here. The cannery will cost about \$20,000, and will be built and in operation in time to handle next year's fruit crop. This will mean occupation for a large number of people.

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THE HIGH SCHOOL LOT.

On account of the coming bond election in the Campbell Union High School District, the matter of the school lot is of especial interest. At the time of the erection of the new building, the acre of ground at the corner of the Los Gatos Road and Campbell Avenue was presented to the Union District by the people of Campbell and vicinity and never cost the High School District a penny. At that time an option was obtained on another acre of ground by the High School Trustees. By private subscriptions more than half of the purchase price of this second acre has been already paid; the Board has paid one hundred dollars from fees, and there remains but four hundred and fifty dollars unpaid on the lot; of this quite a substantial amount has been promised.

The section of the State School Law quoted in the call for the bond election permits a part of the funds so obtained, to be used for payment on a lot. It will be seen from the above statement, however, that the election was not called for the purpose of securing more grounds for the High School.

THE HIGH SCHOOL TAX.

Very naturally the cost of high schools is under keen discussion whenever a bond is proposed in the district. In this connection it is interesting to note that there are about forty high schools in this State of about the same size as the Campbell Union High. Of these all but four have a larger teaching force than the local school. Of the four which have the same number of teachers not one provides any instruction in commercial branches.

Ours is, therefore, run at the lowest cost per pupil of any school of its size when advantages and teachers salaries are considered.

In our own county last year the levy for High School maintenance was as follows:

Gilroy.....	(82 pupils)	\$.43 on \$100
Live Oak.....	(45 pupils)	.36 on \$100
Los Gatos.....	(91 pupils)	.27 on \$100
Mountain View.....	(67 pupils)	.25 on \$100
Palo Alto.....	(250 pupils)	.35 on \$100
Campbell.....	(103 pupils)	.18 on \$100

(The number of pupils is taken from the September enrollment.)

In the year when the new building was erected by direct taxation the total levy for the building and maintenance was only \$.55 on the \$100.

These figures should satisfy any one that the school has been run with very careful and skillful financial management. The present Board of Trustees is composed largely of holdovers, and may be trusted implicitly by the voters in the Union District.

The proposed bonds will add to the tax levy about as follows:

First ten years, \$.01 per year per \$100
Next ten years, \$.03 per year per \$100

These additions will scarcely be noticed, and the burden will be laid on those who are enjoying the benefits of the outlay.

A direct tax this year sufficient to meet the outlay positively necessary, would be felt quite keenly. The choice is with voters. The school trustees can simply fulfil their oath to provide accommodations and maintenance for the school.

PRESS NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Cutting have a son, born Tuesday, July 30th.

Station Agent Charles Berry has been much annoyed lately by a number of small boys who hang around the depot and jump on and off moving cars. Needless to say this pastime is extremely dangerous for the boys and harrowing to the nerves of the beholders.

Letters from Mrs. Atkinson report her having had a most enjoyable time while visiting in Spokane. She is now visiting in Wisconsin, where she anticipates having a pleasant visit.

A. J. Farley and daughters Phoebe, May and Amy are home from Camp Farley near Wrights. Mrs. Farley and daughter Miss Maud will remain for some time as the outdoor life is proving very beneficial to the latter.

F. G. Hanger has been enjoying himself at Santa Cruz.

E. J. Wakeman and daughters Misses Ellen and Ruth, leave Monday for Oberlin, Ohio, where Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wakeman are located. In all probability Mr. Wakeman and daughters will remain permanently, Miss Ellen having accepted a position as teacher in a school there. Mr. Wakeman and daughters will be greatly missed by our people, as they have been prominent in church and social affairs here, and they carry with them the best wishes of a large circle of friends.

Miss Lena Swope has finished a course in the San Jose Business College.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Eaton and three children have returned to Alameda, after a visit with relatives here.

Frank Needham was postman in the absence of Ellis Preston.

Mrs. Burnett and Mrs. Pratt are visiting the latter's sister, Mrs. Beale, of Sunnyvale.

Mrs. D. Martinie, Miss Catherine Martinie and Miss Ruth Sorrells came down from Palo Alto Friday to spend Saturday and Sunday with S. L. Hayes' family.

Mr. and Mrs. Stoler and daughters and Miss Cynthia Bursinger, have returned to San Juan after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. McCaughey and other friends.

A picnic party made up almost entirely of the congenial crowd that made the trip to Mt. Hamilton last week, went to Alum Rock Tuesday for a day's enjoyment. Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Sargent and daughter Miss Elizabeth Sargent, Mrs. Frances Doolittle, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Beacock, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hanger, Mrs. Palmer, Miss Bessie Palmer, and Miss Ernestine Kennedy, D. W. Waite, F. G. Hanger, and Carl Beacock made up the party.

The Epworth League had a most enjoyable time at their social and business meeting Friday evening, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Bogert on Cypress avenue. About twenty-five were present. The games in charge of Misses Bessie Palmer and Ernestine Kennedy made much merriment and the dainty refreshments served by the hostess were an appreciated addition to the evening's pleasure. One matter of importance discussed in the business session was the lecture by Dr. E. R. Dille of Oakland which will probably be secured for the middle of this month.

J. D. Sawyer and family are home from the coast.

Miss Grace Townsend of Campbell visited her aunt Mrs. B. T. Watson, Sunday. — Sunnyvale Standard.

The Southern Pacific Company has strung 600 feet of close wire fencing along the bank of the creek to protect the Duncan head ditch against washing by water. The ditch was endangered last winter by the high water along the line of the railroad's gravel pit and it is thought that this wire fence and the aid of brush will resist further washing.

The orchardists on west side of the Los Gatos creek, south of Campbell, will be short of water if the channel of the creek is not turned back into the place where it was previous to last winter, at which time it was changed to the east side at the point where the irrigating ditch headgates are located. This is an important matter to those accustomed to having water on the west side.

Dr. Eli McClish of Los Angeles visited Dr. A. H. Needham Monday morning. He also called on Prof. A. B. Capp to arrange for the writing of some diplomas, Prof. Capp being an expert penman.

Mrs. Dale of Breckenridge, Mo., and Mrs. Patterson of Trenton, Mo., are visiting their sister Mrs. C. J. Ringe at the hospitable Ringe home on the Santa Clara and Los Gatos road. They had a pleasant trip west, stopping at Denver and other points, and on the way home will visit Yellowstone Park.

J. Bollinger, who was quite badly hurt recently by falling into a cattleguard and dislocating his right knee, is getting along nicely.

The high school trustees recently selected the teachers for the coming year. Theodore Cutting resigned his position as teacher of English to resume literary work. His place will be taken by Miss Agnes Brown of Stanford. Miss Helen Matthews who comes from Oregon will share with Miss Shepard the work of the Latin classes and the Commercial Department. Miss Catton will have her German and History classes as formerly, while Professor Smith, as in former years, will teach Mathematics and Physics.

E. A. Powers has returned to Paso Robles to resume school duties.

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W. L. DOWD, Noble Grand.
R. E. GATES, Secretary.

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Ada Rebekah Lodge, No. 223, I. O. O. F., meets the first and third Tuesday evenings in Odd Fellows Hall. Sojourning brothers are cordially invited to attend.
MRS. LEONA NEFF, Noble Grand
MISS ETHEL NEFF, Secretary.

Patrons of Husbandry
Orchard City Grange, No. 333, meets on the second and fourth Tuesday evenings at Odd Fellows Hall. Sojourning members are cordially invited to attend.
A. C. KEESLING, Worthy Master.
MRS. O. A. PUTNAM, Worthy Secretary.

Woodmen of the World
Camp Moorpark, No. 671, meets on the first and third Saturday evenings of each month in Odd Fellows Hall. All sojourning neighbors are invited to attend.
ALFRED BULMORE, Council Com.
L. W. HUTCHINS, Clerk.

Fraternal Aid Association
Palm Leaf Council, No. 560, meets on the second and fourth Saturday evenings at Odd Fellows Hall. Sojourning members are cordially invited to attend.
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Lincoln's Love Affairs

And His Early Experiences as a Lawmaker

By WARD HILL LAMON,
Lincoln's Friend and Bodyguard

(Continued From Last Week)

One more main point of his argument, and I have done. The general seems to be troubled with a convenient shortness of memory on some occasions. He does not remember that any explanations were offered at any time, unless it were a paper read when the "broadword proposition" was tendered, when his mind was so confused by the anticipated clatter of broadwords or something else that he did "not know fully what it purported to be." The truth is that by unwisely refraining from mentioning it to his principal he placed himself in a dilemma which he is now endeavoring to shuffle out of. By his inefficiency and want of knowledge of those laws which govern gentlemen in matters of this kind he has done great injustice to his principal, a gentleman who I believe is ready at all times to vindicate his honor manfully, but who has been unfortunate in his selection of his friend, and this fault he is now trying to wipe out by doing an act of still greater injustice to Mr. Lincoln.

E. H. MERRYMAN.

And so Mr. Lincoln acknowledged himself to have been the author of one of the "Lost Township Letters." Whether he was or not was known only perhaps to Miss Todd and himself. At the time of their date he was



LINCOLN WAS HAVING SECRET MEETINGS WITH MARY TODD.

having secret meetings with her at Mr. Francis' house and endeavoring to nerve himself to the duty of marrying her, with what success the letters to Speed are abundant evidence. It is probable that Mary composed them fresh from these stolen conferences, that some of Mr. Lincoln's original conceptions and peculiarities of style unwittingly crept into them and that here and there he altered and amended the manuscript before it went to the printer. Such a connection with a lady's productions made it obligatory upon him to defend them. But why avow one and disavow the rest? It is more than likely that he was determined to take just enough responsibility to fight upon, provided Shields should prove incorrigible, and not enough to prevent a peaceful issue if the injured gentleman should be inclined to accept an apology.

CHAPTER XV.

Lincoln Aspires Higher and Goes to Congress.

AFTER his marriage Mr. Lincoln took up his residence at the Globe tavern, where he had a room and boarding for man and wife for the moderate sum of \$4 per week; but, notwithstanding cheap living, he was still as poor as ever and gave "poverty" as one of his reasons for not paying a friendly visit which seemed to be expected of him.

At the bar and in political affairs he continued to work with as much energy as before, although his political prospects seem just now to have suffered an unexpected eclipse. In 1843 Lincoln, Hardin and Baker were candidates for the Whig congressional nomination, but between Hardin and Baker there was "bitter hostility" and between Baker and Lincoln "suspicion and dislike." The contest was long and fierce, but before it was over Lincoln reluctantly withdrew in favor of Baker. He had had a hard time of it and had been compelled to meet accusations of a very strange character. Among other things, he was charged with being an aristocrat, with having deserted his old friends, the people, by marrying a proud woman on account of her blood and family. This hurt him keenly, and he took great pains to disprove it. But this was not all. He was called an infidel by some, a Presbyterian here, an Episcopalian there, so that by turns he incurred the hostility of all the most powerful religious societies in the district.

On the 24th of March he wrote to Mr. Speed as follows:

Springfield, March 24, 1843.

Dear Speed—... We had a meeting of the Whigs of the county here on last Monday to appoint delegates to a district convention, and Baker beat me and got the delegation instructed to go for him. The meeting, in spite of my attempt to decline it, appointed me one of the delegates, so that in getting Baker the nomination I shall be fixed a good deal like a fellow who is made a groansman to a man that has cut him out and is marry-

ing his own dear "gal." About the prospects of your having a namesake at our town, can't say exactly yet.

A. LINCOLN.

He was now a bolder delegate, pledged to get him the nomination if he could, and yet he was far from giving up the contest in his own behalf. Only two days after the letter to Speed he wrote to Mr. Morris:

Springfield, Ill., March 26, 1843.

Friend Morris—Your letter of the 22d was received on yesterday morning, and for which (instead of an excuse, which you thought proper to ask) I tender you my sincere thanks. It is truly gratifying to me to learn that, while the people of Sangamon have cast me off, my old friends of Menard, who have known me longest and best, stick to me. It would astonish, if not amuse, the older citizens (a stranger, friendless, uneducated, penniless boy, working on a flatboat at \$10 per month) to learn that I have been put down here as the candidate of pride, wealth and aristocratic family distinction. Yet no child it was. There was, too, the strange combination of church influence against me. Baker is a Campbellite and therefore, as I suppose, with few exceptions got all that church.

My wife has some relations in the Presbyterian churches and some with the Episcopal churches, and therefore wherever it would tell I was set down as either the one or the other, while it was everywhere contended that no Christian ought to go for me, because I belonged to no church, was suspected of being a deist and had talked about fighting a duel. With all these things Baker of course had nothing to do, nor do I complain of them. As to his own church going, I think I think that was right enough, and as to the influences I have spoken of in the other, though they were very strong, it would be grossly untrue and unjust to charge that they acted upon them in a body. They were very near me. I do not think that those influences levied a tax of a considerable per cent upon my strength throughout the religious controversy. But enough of this.

You say that in choosing a candidate for congress you have an equal fight with Sangamon, and in this you are undoubtedly earnest. In agreeing to withdraw from the Whigs of Sangamon should go against me I did not mean that they alone were worth consulting, but that if she and Mason act circumpectly they will in the convention be able so far to enforce their rights as to decide absolutely which one of the candidates shall be successful. Let me show the reason of this. Hardin or some other Whig candidate will get Putnam, Marshall, Woodford, Tazewell and Logan—make sixteen. Then you and Mason, having three, can give the victory to either side. You say you shall instruct your delegates for me unless I object. I certainly shall not object. That would be too pleasant a compliment for me to tread in the dust. And besides, if anything should happen (which, however, is not probable) by which Baker should be thrown out of the fight I would be at liberty to accept the nomination if I could get it. I do, however, feel myself bound not to hinder him in any way from getting the nomination. I should despise myself were I to attempt it. I feel then it would be proper for your meeting to appoint three delegates and to instruct them to go for some one as a first choice, some one else as a second and perhaps some one as a third, and if in those instructions I were named as the first choice it would gratify me very much.

If you wish to hold the balance of power it is important for you to attend to and secure the vote of Mason and you. You will be sure to have men appointed delegates that you know you can safely confide in. If yourself and James Short were appointed for your county all would be safe, but whether that would be a year ago might not be in the way of his appointment is a question. I don't know whether you know it, but I know him to be as honorable a man as there is in the world. You have my permission, then, to request, to show this to Short, but to no one else, unless it be a very particular friend, who you know will not speak of it. Yours as ever,

A. LINCOLN.

P. S.—Will you write me again?

To Martin M. Morris, Petersburg, Ill.

And finally to Speed on the same subject:

Springfield, May 18, 1843.

Dear Speed—Your of the 9th inst. is duly received, which I do not meet as a "bore," but as a most welcome visitor. I will answer the business part of it first. ... In relation to our congress matter here you were right in supposing I would support the nominee. Neither Baker nor I, however, is the man, but Hardin, so far as I can judge from present appearances. We shall have no split or trouble about the matter—all will be harmonious. In relation to the "coming events" about which Butler wrote you, I had not heard one word before I got your letter, but I have so much confidence in the judgment of a Butler on such a subject that I incline to think there may be some reality in it. What day does Butler appoint? By the way, how do "events" of the same sort come on in your family? Are you possessing houses and lands and oxen and asses and men servants and maid servants and begetting sons and daughters? We are not keeping house, but boarding at the Globe tavern, which is very well kept now by a widow lady of the name of Beck. Our room (the same Dr. Wallace occupied there) and boarding only cost us \$4 per week. Ann Todd was married something more than a year since to a fellow by the name of Campbell, and who, Mary says, is pretty much of a "dunce," though he has a little money and property. They live in Booneville, Mo., and have not been heard from lately enough for me to say anything about her health. I reckon it will scarcely be in our power to visit Kentucky this year. Besides poverty and the necessity of attending to business, those "coming events," I suspect, would be somewhat in the way. I most heartily wish you and your Fanny would not fall to come. Just let us know the time, and we will have a room provided for you at our house, and all be merry together for awhile. Be sure to give my respects to your mother and family. As sure her that if I ever come near her I will not fail to call and see her. Mary joins in sending love to your Fanny and you. Yours as ever, A. LINCOLN.

After the "race," still smarting from the mortification of defeat and the disappointment of a cherished hope, he took his old friend Jim Matheny away off to a solitary place in the woods "and then and there," "with great emphasis," protested that he had not grown proud and was not an aristocrat. "Jim," said he in conclusion, "I am now and always shall be the same Abe Lincoln that I always was."

Candidate For Elector.

In 1844 Mr. Lincoln was again a candidate for elector on the Whig ticket. Mr. Clay, as he has said himself, was his "beau ideal of a statesman," and he labored earnestly and as effectually as any one else for his election. For the most part he still had his old an-

tagonists to meet in the Springfield region, chief among whom this year was John Calhoun. With him and others he had joint debates, running through several nights, which excited much popular feeling. One of his old friends and neighbors who attended all these discussions speaks in very enthusiastic terms of Mr. Calhoun and, after enumerating his many noble gifts of head and heart, concludes that "Calhoun came nearer to whipping Lincoln in debate than Douglas did."

Mr. Lincoln made many speeches in Illinois, and finally, toward the close of the campaign, he went over into Indiana and there continued "on the stump" until the end. Among other places, he spoke at Rockport, on the Ohio, where he had first embarked for New Orleans with Gentry; at Gentryville and at a place in the country about two miles from the cabin where his father had lived. While he was in the midst of his speech at Gentryville his old friend Nat Grigsby entered the room. Lincoln recognized him on the instant and, stopping short in his remarks, cried out, "There's Nat!" Without the slightest regard for the proprieties of the occasion, he suspended his address totally and, striding from the platform, began scrambling through the guidance and over the benches toward the modest Nat, who stood near the door. When he reached him, Lincoln shook his hand "cordially," and, after felicitating himself sufficiently upon the happy meeting, he returned to the platform and finished his speech. When that was over, Lincoln could not make up his mind to part with Nat, but insisted that they must sleep together. Accordingly they wended their way to Colonel Jones', where that fine old Jackson Democrat received his distinguished "clerk" with all the honors he could show him. Nat says that in the night a cat "began mewing, scratching and making a fuss generally." Lincoln got up, took the cat in his hands and, stroking its back "gently and kindly," made it sparkle for Nat's amusement. He then "gently" put it out of the door and, returning to bed, "commenced telling stories and talking over old times."

It is hardly necessary to say that the result of the canvass was a severe disappointment to Mr. Lincoln. No defeat but his own could have given him more pain, and thereafter he seems to have attended quietly to his own private business until the congressional canvass of 1846.

It was thought for many years by some persons well informed that between Lincoln, Logan, Baker and Hardin, four very conspicuous Whig leaders, there was a secret personal understanding that they four should "rotate" in congress until each had had a term. Baker succeeded Hardin in 1844, Lincoln was elected in 1846, and Logan was nominated, but defeated, in 1848. Lincoln publicly declined to contest the nomination with Baker in 1844. Hardin did the same for Lincoln in 1846 (although both seem to have acted reluctantly), and Lincoln refused to run against Logan in 1848. Colonel Matheny and others insist, with great show of reason, that the agreement actually existed, and if such was the case it was practically carried out, although Lincoln was a candidate against Baker and Hardin against Lincoln as long as either of them thought there was the smallest prospect of success. They might have done this, however, merely to keep other and less tractable candidates out of the field. That Lincoln would cheerfully have made such a bargain to insure himself a seat in congress there can be no doubt, but the supposition that he did do it can scarcely be reconciled with the feeling displayed by him in the conflict with Baker or the persistency of Hardin to a very late hour in the contest of 1846.

At all events, Mr. Lincoln and General Hardin were the two, and the only two, candidates for the Whig nomination in 1846. The contest was much like the one with Baker, and Lincoln was assailed in much the same fashion. He was called a deist and an infidel both before and after his nomination and encountered in a less degree the same opposition from the members of certain religious bodies that had met him before. But with Hardin he maintained personal relations the most friendly. The latter proposed to alter the mode of making the nomination, and in the letter conveying this desire to Mr. Lincoln he also offered to stipulate that each candidate should remain within the limits of his own county. To this Mr. Lincoln replied, "As to your proposed stipulation that all the candidates shall remain in their own counties and restrain their friends to the same, it seems to me that on reflection you will see the fact of your having been in congress has in various ways so spread your name in the district as to give you a decided advantage in such a stipulation. I appreciate your desire to keep down excitement, and I promise you to 'keep cool' under the circumstances."

(To be Continued)

Where Lincoln Put It.

A soldier at whose house when a boy Lincoln paused in his tramps in Illinois and who loaned him a whetstone to sharpen his jackknife met him during the war in Washington. Lincoln remembered the incident and spoke of the use of the whetstone.

"Ya-a-s," drawled out the old soldier, "Whatever did you do with the whetstone? I never could find it. We 'lowed mebbe you took it along with you."

"No, no. I put it on top of the gatepost—that high one."

"Mebbe you did; nobody else could have reached it, and none of us ever thought to look there for it."

There it was found where it had been placed fifteen years before. The soldier reported the fact to the president.—Boston Post.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlow Plimpton are domiciled in the new cottage on Sunnyside avenue, recently built by C. B. Miracle.

Mrs. Lee Hiatt is home from a visit with her son in Los Angeles. W. H. Stuart and family are home from the coast.

Professor and Mrs. Alma, of Grinnell, Ia., are guests of Prof. and Mrs. Smith.

Helen Marshman, who won the first prize in the W. C. T. U. essay contest at Campbell, also won the second prize in the county contest, securing \$7.

Harry Fore has made several trips home recently, he having been stationed at the Ferry building. He will enter Stanford.

Misses Ruby Fore and Elsie Kelley are home from Capitola.

Miss Mattie More has returned from Capitola to resume her position at the San Tomas Drying and Packing Co.

Hugh McGee is greeting his friends after a long absence in Southern California.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Preston are home from a vacation at Santa Cruz.

Miss Emma Beattie has returned from a week spent at the Grove, the guest of relatives.

Mr. Cox is building a cottage on Rincon Ave.

Mr. Hess and family of Sacramento are temporarily located in the White office building.

The Fruit Growers' Union is shipping from 2 to 4 cars daily of peaches. The Union shipped fully one-quarter of the apricot crop of the county this year.

California Polytechnic School.

Wm. F. Ewing, professor of Mathematics in the California Polytechnic School at San Luis Obispo, was a caller at the Post one day this week. This school is making rapid advance and it now has about 150 students in the different departments. The students are given a thorough course in agriculture, dairying, poultry raising, electricity, mechanics, and the young ladies are taught scientific cooking, millinery work and sewing. In addition to these branches necessary high school studies are taught. This practical school is destined to be of great benefit to the State in that it develops the students in things most essential for their success in life. It is calculated to make agricultural life more pleasant and profitable, and it certainly will. Being a State school it will have splendid support.

Nestled in the hills at San Luis Obispo is the three hundred acre farm, where new and modern buildings have been erected. No tuition is charged and students are admitted from the grammar school. Those interested should send for finely illustrated catalogue. The fifth year opens on September 10th.—East San Jose Post.

To Campbell people we want to impress upon you the importance of this school for your sons and daughters. This is a good subject for the granter to take up. Educate the boys and girls to do scientific fruit growing and farm work and a less number will want to go to the cities.

Campbell High Graduates.

Prof. Smith has recommended the following pupils to the Registrar of Stanford University for entrance this August:

Ernest Abbott, Earl Brown, Harry Fore, Arthur Joachim, George Righter, Sidney Shaw, Stanley Smith.

The following have been recommended to President Dailey of the State Normal School: Floyd Bell, Alba Carter, Edith Copeland, Tillie Hayes, Agnes Macy, Lela Oliver, Irene Pannell, Cora Rodeck.

This certainly looks as if the High School were flourishing.

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E. S. Wait of Hillsdale was a caller at the Press office this week. Says he has a good prune crop. Lucky man.

A few nights since a farewell party was given by Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Burns in honor of Miss Gladys Goldsworthy, who has returned to Oakland after a year or more visit with Mrs. Austin and family. She attended the grammar school and was very popular among the young people. Some fifteen were present. Delicious refreshments were served.

Helen Clink celebrated her eighth birthday by inviting her friends to a party. She received many pretty presents.

Mrs. Wallace, mother of S. H. Wallace, of Budd avenue, has passed away. The funeral was held on Friday.

FOR RENT—House of 5 rooms on orchard, near town. Address this office.

Miss Frances Bomley of Salinas has been the guest of the Misses Fablinger. Misses Sadie and Margaret Fablinger will teach at San Luis Obispo, Miss Sadie being the principal.

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NOTICE OF HEARING PETITION FOR CONVEYANCE OF REAL ESTATE.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE State of California, in and for the County of Santa Clara.

In the matter of the Estate of Henry Crosson, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Mary Crosson, administratrix of the Estate of Henry Crosson, deceased, has filed in the above entitled Court her petition for a decree authorizing her as such administratrix to convey to one Edward B. Hinde, certain real property belonging to said estate, situated in the City and County of San Francisco, State of California, and described in said petition as follows:

Commencing at a point on the southeasterly line of Clary Street, distant thereon 72 feet northeasterly from the northeasterly line of Sixth Street; running thence northeasterly and along the southeasterly line of Clary Street, 44 feet 7 1/2 inches; thence at a right angle southeasterly 80 feet; thence at a right angle southwesterly 41 feet 7 1/2 inches; thence at a right angle northwesterly 53 feet 9 inches; thence at a right angle southwesterly 3 feet; thence at a right angle northwesterly 26 feet 3 inches to the southeasterly line of Clary Street and the point of commencement.

And notice is also hereby given that said Court has appointed the 6th day of September, 1907, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m. of said day, and the court room of Dept. Two of said Superior Court at the court house in the City of San Jose, County of Santa Clara, State of California, as the time and place of hearing said petition and when and where all persons interested may appear and contest said petition.

Dated July 25th, 1907.

HENRY A. PFISTER, Clerk of said Superior Court.

By W. DENKER, Deputy Clerk.

SUMMONS.

In the Justice's Court of San Jose Township, County of Santa Clara, State of California. Frank H. Benson, Justice. E. Pezzola, Plaintiff, vs. R. W. Foster, Defendant.

The People of the State of California send greeting to R. W. Foster, Defendant. You are hereby required to appear at my office in San Jose Township, Santa Clara County, State of California, to answer before me the complaint of the Plaintiff in the above entitled action, now on file in my office, within five days after service hereof upon you, if served in said Township; or within ten days if served out of said Township but in said County; or within twenty days if served elsewhere; in each case computing the time by excluding the day of service. And you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer said complaint as above required, the Plaintiff will take judgment for any money or damages demanded in the complaint as arising upon contract, or will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of said County, greeting:

Make legal service and due return hereof.

Given under my hand this 20th day of December, 1905.

FRANK H. BENSON, Justice of the Peace in and for said Township.

NOTICE!

HIGH SCHOOL BOND ELECTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given to the electors of Campbell Union High School District, in the County of Santa Clara, and State of California, that, in accordance with the provisions of the Political Code of the State of California, as set forth in Section 1670, subdivision eleven of said Code, an election will be held on the 10th day of August, A. D. 1907, at the High School Building, in said Campbell Union High School District, at which time will be submitted to the electors of said Campbell Union High School District the question of issuing bonds of the District and selling the same, for the purpose of raising money for repairing and improving the high school building, for purchasing a high school lot, for supplying said building with furniture and necessary apparatus and for improving the grounds of said high school.

The polls will be opened and the election held at the high school building at Campbell, in said Campbell Union High School District, on the 10th day of August, 1907, and the polls will be open from 10 o'clock a. m. of said day until 5 o'clock p. m. of said day.

Joseph Bohnett will act as Inspector, and A. C. Keesling and H. C. Hutton will act as Judges of said election to conduct the same.

The amount of bonds to be issued is Five Thousand Dollars, of the denomination of Five Hundred Dollars each, and to bear interest at the rate of five per cent per annum.

Said bonds are to be numbered consecutively 1 to 10, inclusive, and are to run and be payable as follows, to-wit:

No. 1, ten years from date.

No. 2, eleven years from date.

No. 3, twelve years from date.

No. 4, thirteen years from date.

No. 5, fourteen years from date.

No. 6, fifteen years from date.

No. 7, sixteen years from date.

No. 8, seventeen years from date.

No. 9, eighteen years from date.

No. 10, nineteen years from date.

Said election will be held in conformity with the provisions of the Political Code of California governing such elections.

P. C. HARTMAN, J. F. DUNCAN, DAVID PENDER, MARSHALL A. ROSS, High School Board of Campbell Union High School District.

Dated July 16th, 1907.

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MADE BY THE LAST LEGISLA-
TURE IS NOW AVAILABLE.

F. B. Simpson Receives Appoint-
ment From Governor Gillett as
Inspector of Buildings to Be Built.

Fred B. Simpson has been ap-
pointed building inspector for the
Agnews asylum buildings. Mr.
Simpson was called to Sacramento
a couple of days ago to confer with
the state officials, and returned on
Monday with his appointment,
signed by Governor Gillett.

The work of restoring the Agnews
building was begun today. The
appropriation of \$800,000, made by
the last legislature, is now available
and the restoration work will be
done as rapidly as possible. It is
estimated, however, that it will re-
quire two years to complete the
buildings.

The plans adopted for the restored
asylum include a series of buildings
in the mission style of architecture,
constructed of reinforced concrete.
None of the buildings will be over
two stories and most of them will
be one story cottages. These cot-
tages will be some distance apart
from one another, and the most
modern conditions and arrange-
ments will be provided.

Mr. Simpson, the new inspector,
has been a resident of Palo Alto for
the past twelve years. He has been
an active member of the carpenters'
union and has taken considerable
interest in politics. He is highly
esteemed by all and is thoroughly
qualified to fulfill the duties of the
position. The salary is \$150 a
month.

The Agnews asylum was com-
pletely wrecked by the earthquake
and 110 of the patients lost their
lives.

Uphold Pure-Food Law.

While there was for a time con-
siderable local uneasiness over the
sulphuring regulations of the pure-
food law, that uneasiness ought not
to be permitted to take the form of
opposition to the pure-food law it-
self, or even to its sulphuring pro-
visions. The only justifiable anxiety
about the sulphur limit was based
on the fact that it was sprung on
us in the very midst of the drying
season, and in a form whose exact
provisions nobody, not even its pro-
moters, knew how to put in prac-
tical operation. That anxiety has
been wholly relieved by the action
of the department of agriculture in
providing for the most liberal inter-
pretation of the law this year. There
is now no reason why any grower
who will, in good faith, sulphur
moderately, should feel the slight-
est apprehension. Neither is there
the slightest reason for any packer
repudiating contracts or rejecting
fruit. The packer who rejects fruit
prepared in good faith, is not him-
self acting in good faith. And, aside
from the suddenness of the ruling,
which is now averted, a sulphur lim-
it is in itself a good thing. Unques-
tionably we have been too careless
in the use of sulphur. Nobody has
known just how much he was using,
and some people have used a great
deal too much. The very fact that
there is not one person connected
with the packing business who has
expert, scientific and practical
knowledge of the use and effect of
sulphur fumes, is sufficient proof
that we have been working in the
dark, by rule of thumb. The wine
industry has chemists and bacteri-
ologists as expert as any employed
by the government. The fruit-pack-
ing industry has none. This rule
will compel us to equip ourselves,
to know what we are doing. It will
doubtless demonstrate that fruit can
be made to look just as well, and
taste a great deal better, with very
much less sulphur. It may, to be
sure, be necessary to combat worms
by keeping the insects from laying
eggs on it, instead of by poisoning
the fruit until the worms cannot eat
it, but that is a better way, anyway.
The eggs of these worms are not in
the fruit when it is cut, and they will
not get into it if it is protected from
insects. The rule will also put an
end to the practice of packers dip-
ping and resulphuring fruit, for the
sake of an extra cent a pound profit
on the absorbed water.

And on general principles, Cali-
fornia producers should uphold the
pure-food law, even where it pinches
us a little. It is the most important
law ever passed in our interest, and
it helps us more than it does any
other producers in the country.
Practically every California product
is or can be made conformable to
the strictest pure-food law. The
principal competitors of these prod-
ucts cannot be made to conform to
anything but the most lax law, ex-
pressly devised to let them in. The

COUNTY ROADS ARE NOW BEING IMPROVED

Supervisor Frank Mitchell was in
town Monday looking after road
work he is having done in this end
of the county. He has arranged to
have Hamilton avenue graded and
graveled from the city limits to the
Newell bridge on the county line.
This will make a better and shorter
road to Cooley's Landing and will
be much appreciated.

Mr. Mitchell is also having the
Embarcadero road graveled from the
San Francisco road across the rail-
way to Bryant street. This will be
a great convenience to those living
in the southern part of town who
take the lower road to the univer-
sity campus.

A Step Backward.

The banks of San Jose which for-
merly closed at noon Saturday have
agreed to keep open hereafter Sat-
urday afternoons until 3 p. m. This
is a step backward. Business has
adjusted itself to the former ar-
rangement and there is no reason
why bank employees should not en-
joy Saturday afternoon off. The
new change imposes an increased
hardship apparently without any
compensating advantage. The Sat-
urday half-holiday is now becoming
a recognized order of business in
this country as it is almost univer-
sal in many foreign countries.—
Oakland Enquirer.

San Jose Dairymen Increase Prices

Admissions Made That Milk Hereto-
fore Furnished Has Been Liber-
ally Diluted With Water.

At a meeting last night of the
San Jose Dairymen's Association,
says the Mercury, the admission
was tacitly made that the milk sup-
ply which San Jose is and has been
receiving lately is not up to the
standard as required by law and
that increased cost in production
had rendered "watering" almost es-
sential if any profit was to be made
at the present scale of prices on
which milk is being sold to the con-
sumer.

Food and Dairy Inspector Bryant
was present and an array of figures
presented him for consideration,
showing the result of recent tests
made in this city, brought out the
information above mentioned.

The meeting was in every sense an
earnest one, all the dairymen evin-
cing a spirit of willingness to amelio-
rate present conditions and co-oper-
ate as far as possible with Colonel
Bryant. The latter in plain words
told the dealers that the present
state of affairs demanded instant re-
lief and that it did not make any
difference to him how that result
was brought about so long as the
standard was raised and there main-
tained. It was then that the meet-
ing voted to raise the price of milk
on and after August 1st and pledged
itself to furnish an A No. 1 brand
to San Jose.

After considerable discussion it
was decided to raise the price of
milk from \$2 to \$2.50 per quart
and from \$1.25 to \$1.50 per pint
and to impose a penalty upon any
member of the association caught
selling or delivering milk below the
required standard, which is 3 1-4
per cent butter fat. The admission
was made that most of the dairymen
have been diluting the milk more or
less with water.

The following officers of the new
association were nominated and
elected: President, I. M. Wilcox;
vice-president, George Newman;
treasurer, A. Johnson; secretary,
E. M. Smith; directors, J. Berg, A.
B. Knowles, E. Hooker.

No question has been raised about
the milk supply in Palo Alto. The
stringent local laws in force pre-
clude adulteration, as the health
board keeps a careful supervision
not only over the milk, but over the
dairies and cows.

One million six hundred and
eighty thousand bags of potatoes is
the estimated yield of 16,800 acres
in San Joaquin county for the pres-
ent year. It is figured that the rul-
ing price will be \$2 per bag, but the
most conservative estimate is a to-
tal revenue of \$3,000,000. Some of
the growers figure that the yield
will average 150 bags to the acre.
Potatoes are now selling at \$3 a
bag, with an active demand.

stricter the law the better it is for
us. And while this particular rul-
ing may need some modification, af-
ter the practical investigations are
complete, we can count on the good
faith of the government to make
those modifications. And on gen-
eral principles we should extend all
possible encouragement to the en-
forcement of the law.—Fresno Re-
publican.

Prices For Vegetables And Fruits Declining

Commission Houses Report Plentiful
Supply at Reasonable Prices—
Prices Lower Than Last Year.

Fresh vegetables and fruit are
rapidly declining in price, and arti-
cles that were sold less than a month
ago for two or three dollars per box
or sack are being sold today for 75
cents and a dollar, says the Mercury.

The cause for this is the plentiful
daily supply which increases every
day. The farmers are jubilant and
coining money and the general pub-
lic are enjoying dainty farm prod-
ucts at low prices never before
equalled.

Squash which was sold a month
ago for \$2.50 a box sells today for
75 cents, and the quality of squash
sold now is far superior to that sold
at the beginning of the season. Rhu-
barb has declined from \$3 to \$1 per
box. Peaches, boxes from 30 to 40
pounds, are sold at \$1 per box. Fan-
cy Burbanks are sold at \$2.25 per
sack of 100 pounds. Watermelons
are plentiful and command the fairly
reasonable price of \$1.50 to \$1.75
per dozen.

These prices compared with those
of last year show a general decrease
from 10 to 15 per cent, and tend to
show that prices for all commodities
of a similar nature are slowly rever-
ting to where they were before the
disaster a year ago.

Farmers report, while crops are
light, the difference in prices this
year make up in a slight way the
profits they lose by a lighter crop.
They are being slowly brought to re-
alize that there is a better market
in San Jose for their produce than
if they sent it to San Francisco and
other centers. The commission mer-
chants of San Jose are doing a good
business and are giving good prices
for farm produce.

The black Lodi watermelons are
becoming plentiful on the market.
There is a great demand for this par-
ticular melon, which, it is believed,
has not its equal in the country.

Green vegetables, such as peas,
beans, onions, lettuce, etc., are also
plentiful and are selling very rea-
sonably.

University Work In Agriculture

Annual Report of the Farmers' Insti-
tutes Held Under the Direction of
the State University.

The annual report of the Farmer's
Institute work under the department
of University Extension in Agricul-
ture of the University of California
has just been compiled. Professor
Warren T. Clarke, superintendent of
the extension work, today had many
interesting comments to make on this
report. It covers, he states, the
work of the year ending June 30, 1907,
and gives interesting and instructive
items of which the following may be
noted.

During the past year Farmers' In-
stitutes were held in thirty counties
of the state. The total number of In-
stitutes held during the year was
eighty-four. Thirty-three of these were
one-day meetings; forty-eight con-
tinued through two days, while three
were of three days duration. The
total number of sessions was 296,
while the total attendance at these
meetings was 20470, making an average
attendance of 69 at each session.

It required the services of twenty-
three state lecturers and one hundred
and ninety-five local speakers to car-
ry on the work of these institutes.
Of these state lecturers thirteen were
employed at various times to give
instruction in special topics while
ten lecturers and demonstrators from
the faculty of the College of Agri-
culture devoted a total of one hun-
dred days to the work.

In addition to these already noted,
three general institutes were held.
Two of these were in conjunction
with the State Teachers' Institute at
Fresno and Chico, and one with
the Sonoma County Grange. The to-
tal number of sessions at these meet-
ings was eight and the total attend-
ance 2500, or an average attendance
per session of 212.

The work done at these institutes
covered, both from the practical and
theoretical sides, many of the prob-
lems confronting agriculturists and
horticulturists of the state, and can
be considered, judging by the interest
indicated through the figures just
given, to be of actual value to the
farmers of California.

Getting Ready to Build.

When the arrangements were
made for erecting a handsome, mod-
ern building for the Mayfield bank,
on the site now occupied by the May-
field hotel, it was supposed that the
work would be delayed by the ab-
sence in Europe of Alex Peers, the

Woman Suffrage Endorsed.

That interest in woman suffrage
is not declining in the United States,
even if the old-world countries seem
to be forging ahead in extending the
elective franchise to women, is cer-
tainly proved by the long list of im-
portant associations which have offi-
cially endorsed it. Among these are:

National Grange.
National Women's Single Tax
League.
National Letter Carriers Associa-
tion.
National W. C. T. U.
World's W. C. T. U.
National Association of Spiritual-
ists of United States and Canada.
National Council of Women.
International Council of Women.
National convention of Universa-
lists.
Supreme Commandry Knights of
Temperance.
Western Federation of Miners.
United Mineworkers of America.
International Women's Union La-
bel League.
International Typographical Un-
ion.
International Brotherhood of
Bookbinders.
International Brotherhood of
Teamsters.
Ladies of the Modern Maccabees.
Ladies of the Maccabees of the
World.
National Free Baptist Woman's
Missionary Society.
American Federation of Labor.

Block Signals South From Palo Alto

New System on the Southern Pa-
cific Is Being Hurried to Com-
pletion.

The new block signal system on
the Southern Pacific has been com-
pleted and is in operation between
San Jose and Palo Alto. At the
upper end the blocks are working
between Ocean View and San Fran-
cisco.

The work is still in progress north
of Palo Alto and it will be only a
short time before the entire system
is in shape for operation.

During the past week a gang of
men has been at work at the Univer-
sity avenue crossing, cutting the
rails on either side of the new street
railway crossing in order to isolate
the street car line, as the local cur-
rent would interfere with the work-
ing of the blocks.

CHARMING FEATURE OF LIFE IN CAMP

Editor Times:

It was a pleasure to read in the
Times, the account of camp life in
the great Sierras; the charming fea-
ture being that there was no slaugh-
ter and bloodshed of the denizens of
the beautiful resorts. That deer
should come about your door and
feed unmolested affords great oppor-
tunity for a living nature study.

The writer, not long since, was
teaching school in a district on the
same rushing and roaring Kings river
up in the mountains. A few miles be-
yond, a lady owned a deer that she
had raised on a baby's bottle. She
dressed it in a red collar and a little
silver bell. Loving Kindness, for this
was the pet's name was later coming
home from his woody retreat one eve-
ning than usual, and his mistress
went out to call him. She had gone
but a few rods, back of a clump of
trees nearby, when she beheld Lov-
ing's little red collar lying on the
grass. Further on was a spot of
blood-soaked sand and the refuse
from the poor animal's body. Two
hunters had murdered the tame crea-
ture with the knife, carrying away the
carcass and even the little silver bell.

This restriction upon hunters is a
righteous proceeding by our govern-
ment, and should be ten times more
stringent. Think of wounding an ani-
mal, just for fun, which for years may
go maimed and suffering!

Mr. Hutchinson's article should be
published far and wide forth here is
a humane spirit in it that is conta-
gious and every human ought to
catch.

Let us hope the world is growing
kinder. The great Lincoln gave us
a lesson when he stopped an impor-
tant talk with a friend and bent down
to pick up a baby bird and put it
back in the mother nest in a tree
nearby.

There is an equally attractive kind-
ness in feeding bears molasses and
scratching a whale's back.

N. J. KELLOGG.

owner of the hotel building. It now
appears, however, that the work is
to proceed at once. A house mov-
ing outfit has begun the task of mov-
ing the hotel north from the pres-
ent site a sufficient distance to make
room for the bank building. It is
reported that the work of construct-
ing the new building will be started
soon.

VALIDITY OF NEW LAW QUESTIONED

REQUIREMENT THAT VOTER
STATE PARTY AFFILIATION
WHEN HE REGISTERS TO BE
TESTED.

Many lecturers Who Refused to Com-
ply with the Law the Present Year
are Declared to Have Thus Been
Disfranchised.

San Francisco, July 31.—An at-
tack of much political significance
was made yesterday in the Supreme
Court on the new law, which requires
a voter when registering to declare
his party affiliation.

This law was passed by the last
legislature. It provides that at the
time of registering a voter or elec-
tor must state the name of the po-
litical party with which he intends to
affiliate himself at the ensuing pri-
mary election.

If he so states he cannot change his
affiliation after the close of the regis-
tration, but may vote the party de-
signed or not at all. In the city and
county of San Francisco alone some
7000 or 8000 duly qualified electors
declined to state their party affilia-
tions at the time of registering with-
in the present year and so by the
terms of the new law were disfran-
chised.

Edward G. Shostad, a native-born
citizen and a member of the Union-
Labor party, declined to state his po-
litical affiliations and later went be-
fore the Board of Election Commis-
sioners and demanded that they in-
clude his name among the voters
entitled to vote at the ensuing pri-
mary elections. This the Board of
Election Commissioners refused to do.

Shostad, through his attorney,
Samuel M. Shortridge, applied to the
Supreme Court of the state for a
writ of mandate, in which proceed-
ing the constitutionality of the new
law is drawn in question and will be
decided. Shostad claims that the new
law is unconstitutional in that it is
unequal and discriminative in its op-
eration on duly qualified electors; is
not uniform in its operation, is un-
reasonable and restrictive of the right
of free suffrage; that under the guise
of regulating the legislature has de-
stroyed the inviolability of the secret
ballot, the free and equal suffrage
guaranteed by the constitution.

On the other side it is claimed that
the legislature, under an amendment
to the constitution, has the power to
prescribe tests for voting at primary
elections and that the provisions of
the new law are nothing more than a
test.

SUPERVISOR MITCHELL'S WORK

(Palo Alto Daily Times.)

A great deal of dissatisfaction ex-
ists in this end of the county with
the attitude of San Jose toward con-
ceding needed improvements, as has
been frequently stated. This criti-
cism does not apply to Supervisor
Frank Mitchell of this district, it is
but just to state. During the time
Mr. Mitchell has been in office he
has done everything in his power to
meet the demands of the north end
of the county and has accomplished
far more than any previous super-
visor the district has had.

Naturally his work has been main-
ly in the direction of road improve-
ments. The county road has been
graveled from the county line to a
point below Mayfield and the Em-
barcadero road and Hamilton ave-
nue are being put in good condi-
tion, while quite a stretch of road
south of the campus has been im-
proved. It is also due to the influ-
ence of Mr. Mitchell with the board
that the building of the Pope street
bridge was made possible.

Each supervisor district has a cer-
tain amount of the county road fund
set aside for its use, and this is nev-
er enough to make all the improve-
ments needed. This is especially
true of the supervisors district,
which extends for forty miles or so
along the west boundary of the
county and includes the greater por-
tion of the mountain roads of the
county. The storms of last winter
took out many bridges and caused
extra expense in road work.

Mr. Mitchell has done well. But
if he will now use his influence to
have the supervisors take up the
matter of opening the channel of the
San Francisco creek, which is a
matter of supreme importance to
Palo Alto and vicinity, he will have
done much to allay the dissatisfac-
tion that exists here.

Work on Bay Bridge.

A force of twenty-five men is now
engaged in driving piles for the
western approach to the Dumbarton
bridge. Good progress is being
made in constructing the line from
Redwood City to the bridge site.—
San Mateo Leader.

BRICK MAKING PLANT PLANNED

WILL BE LOCATED ON MURPHY
TRACT, ABOUT TWO MILES
SOUTH OF MAYFIELD.

Tests of Clay Deposits Show Material
Is of Superiority of Manufacture
of All Kinds of Brick.

N. W. Evans, of Mayfield, is ar-
ranging to open an extensive brick-
making plant in the Murphy tract,
two miles south of Mayfield. Mr.
Evans discovered an extensive de-
posit of brick clay there and has
had thorough tests made, which
show that the clay is of superior
quality, adapted to the making not
only of ordinary brick, but of vitri-
fied brick as well.

Mr. Evans, who is a well-known
contractor, has already placed or-
ders for the necessary machinery
and will put the plant in operation
with a large force of employees as
soon as possible.

All the brick used in this vicinity
for some years has been brought
from a distance. There is a steady
local demand and with the large
amount of building that is planned
for the next year or so, the new en-
terprise should secure a large
amount of business.

J. J. MOORE PLACE ON THE HEIGHTS IS TOTALLY DE- STROYED DURING NIGHT.

The J. J. Moore mansion at
Woodside was totally destroyed by
fire Monday night. No particulars of
the fire have been received fur-
ther than a report of the fact.

This was one of the finest homes
of this part of the valley. It was
located on the highest point on the
road from Redwood City to Wood-
side and commanded a wide view.
The grounds are terraced and a
finely graded road leads to the re-
sidence site. The loss on the
building and furniture is not known,
but it is probably more than \$25,-
000. The residence was badly in-
jured by the earthquake and had
but recently been rebuilt.

About two years ago Mr. Moore
had his elegant home at Fair Oaks
destroyed by fire.

Twain Appreciated.

Just as Mr. Bryan towered sud-
denly in the esteem of his own coun-
trymen while he was being lionized
abroad, so Mark Twain seems
something colossal to us now that
England honors and fetes him as
one of the greatest of living Ameri-
cans. The foreign view of one of our
special products is often a salutary
corrective of home prejudice and
also of home idolatries. Mark
Twain has never lacked appreciation
in his own country, however; and
popular admiration of him has vis-
ibly increased in the recent years,
when he has demonstrated that age
has in no way impaired his powers.
But the English adoration of him is
something different from American
appreciation. Over there he is re-
cognized as a genius that is in no
manner English; he is comparable
with no British writer. And that
gives him special claims to their
consideration.—Star.

Swiss State Railways.

The Swiss state railways are en-
joying a period of great prosperity.
The returns for the past winter sea-
son exceeded all records for the
time of the year, and those for the
first three months of the present
year are also gratifying. The sum
realized in the three months is
given as \$5,800,000, and this bril-
liant stroke of fortune is encourag-
ing the administration to launch out
into new projects of costly improve-
ments. On several of the lines
steam traction will be replaced by
electricity, and a number of the
most important stations will be
brought quite up to date in all their
appointments and structures.

Birds' Paradise Discovered.

William Leon Dawson, the famous
ornithologist, author of the book,
"The Birds of Washington," has just
returned from a trip to Destruction
Island, Neah Bay, and Calloll Island,
two miles off Cape Johnson, at the
latter island, making a discovery of
twelve species of birds heretofore not
known to exist on this coast. With
Mr. Dawson was Prof. Lynes Jones,
professor of zoology at Oberlin col-
lege.

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